

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A filtering apparatus includes an illegal request DB
(database) which stores patterns of illegal accesses to a
Web server, an estimation section which estimates the
5 legality of an access request from a client device based
on the illegal access patterns stored in the illegal request
DB and on a predetermined estimation rule, and a
determination section which determines whether the access
request is to be transmitted to the Web server based on an
10 estimation result of the estimation section and on a
predetermined determination rule.